

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

**WINIFRED BLACKLEDGE**

**Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**CIVIL ACTION NUMBER:**

**2:06-cv-321-ID**

**ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF  
MENTAL HEALTH & MENTAL  
RETARDATION & COMMISSIONER  
JOHN HOUSTON, in his Official  
as Commissioner of the Alabama  
Capacity Department of Mental Health  
& Mental Retardation**

**Defendants.**

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**NOTICE CONCERNING SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE AND MEDIATION**

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**COMES NOW**, Plaintiff, pursuant to Court's Scheduling Order and states that counsel for the parties have conferred regarding settlement negotiations but were unable to come to an agreement at this time. As of today, the parties are unable to agree to settlement, but the parties plan to continue their discussions in the future as the case continues to progress. The parties also discussed the possibility of mediation and although the parties did not set a date or agree to mediate, the parties remain open to mediation and plan to continue this discussion as well.

Respectfully submitted,

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